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7           UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8           WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9           AT SEATTLE

10           ALLSTATE INDEMNITY  
11           COMPANY,

12                         Plaintiff,

13                         v.

14           RANDY LINDQUIST, et al.,

15                         Defendants.

16           RANDY LINDQUIST,

17                         Third-Party Plaintiff,

18                         v.

19           MELODY J. GRONDAHL, et al.,

20                         Third-Party Defendants.

CASE NO. C20-1508JLR

ORDER STRIKING AMENDED  
ANSWER

21           On March 1, 2021, Defendant/Counter-Claimant/Third-Party Plaintiff Randy  
22 Lindquist filed an amended answer, third-party complaint, and counter-claim (“amended

answer”) in this action. (Am. Answer (Dkt. # 50).) At the time Mr. Lindquist filed this amended answer, however, the period for amendment as a matter of course had passed, Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(1), and Mr. Lindquist did not have “the opposing party’s written consent or the court’s leave” to file an amended answer, Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2); (*see* Dkt.). For these reasons, the court STRIKES the amended answer (Dkt. # 50) as improperly filed. If Mr. Lindquist wishes to amend his pleading, he must do so in the manner set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2); Local Rules W.D. Wash. LCR 15.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2021.

John P. Blunt

JAMES L. ROBART  
United States District Judge